

# WAIS Inc

*Wide Area Information Servers*

## Corporate Fact Sheet

MISSION	WAIS, Inc. has three major goals: developing the Internet as a viable means for distributing information electronically; improving the nature and quality of information available over networks; and offering better methods to access that information.
PRODUCTS & MARKETS	WAIS, Inc. provides interactive on-line publishing systems and services to organizations who wish to deliver information over the Internet. The major markets for WAIS, Inc. are business, government, libraries and educational organizations.
BACKGROUND	WAIS, Inc. is a privately-held company established in July, 1992 by Brewster Kahle. Mr. Kahle, president of WAIS, Inc., organized the original WAIS (Wide-Area Information Servers) consortium comprised of Apple Computer, Inc., KPMG Peat Marwick, Dow Jones & Co. and Thinking Machines Corp., his former employer.
TECHNOLOGY	A pioneer in electronic publishing and distribution, WAIS, Inc. is applying Internet-based technologies (e.g. WAIS, Gopher, Mosaic, etc.) to provide interactive on-line services for its customers. The company continues to develop advanced on-line technology to integrate into its products and services.
APPLICATIONS	<b>Organizational memory:</b> Making corporate documents available over networks (e.g. contracts, resumes, phone lists, electronic mail archives). <b>Help Desk:</b> Giving companies a way to stay in touch with customers worldwide by publishing information over networks (e.g. product literature and technical support). <b>Publishing:</b> Helping professional subscription-based publishers (e.g. news services, encyclopedias) as well as transaction-related businesses (e.g. mail order catalogues) publish on the Internet.
FUTURE PLANS	WAIS, Inc. plans to provide organizations that publish over the network a continued stream of next-generation on-line products.